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In re Application of: Mooney, et al.)	Group Art Unit: _____
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Application No.: <u>Unknown</u>)	Examiner: <u>Unknown</u>
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Filing Date: June 8, 1999)	
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For: MULTIPLE LUMEN ACCESS)	
DEVICE AND METHOD)	
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Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure set forth under 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97(c), and 1.98, Applicants submits an attached form PTO-1449. This submission is contemporaneous with the filing of the present patent application, and thus no fee is due.

The present application is a continuation-in-part of the co-pending U.S. Application Serial No. 08/953,105 filed on October 17, 1997, which is a continuation-in-part of the U.S. Application Serial No. 08/756,763 filed on November 26, 1996, now abandoned. Since most of the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449 were previously submitted in the above-described two parent cases, upon which the present case relies for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C. 120, copies of these previously submitted references are not enclosed pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d). Therefore, the only enclosed copies are of the following twelve (12) references:

<u>U.S. Patents:</u>	1)	4,670,009
	2)	4,299,217
	3)	4,968,307
	4)	5,472,417
	5)	5,527,292
	6)	5,601,603
	7)	5,607,462
	8)	5,810,776
	9)	5,827,243
	10)	5,879,324

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Foreign Language Publications with English Translation of the Abstract:

- 11) DE 3035243 A1
- 12) DE 3833359 A1

While no representation is made that any of these references may be "prior art" within the meaning of that term under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103, the enclosed list of references is disclosed so as to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

DATED this 8th day of June, 1999.

Respectfully submitted,

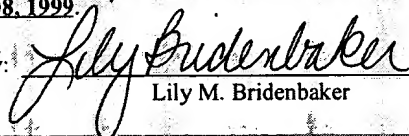


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